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'BUY OFF THE HELL BOMB'

U.S. atom boss urges 'I PLEAD WITH YOU'

From VINCENT EVANS: Washington, Thursday

AMERICA should offer a 50,000 million dollar (£18,000 million) Marshall plan to the world, including Russia, if all other countries would agree to outlaw the hydrogen bomb, said Senator Brian McMahon, head of the Congress Atomic Committee, in the Senate tonight.

McMahon is one of President Truman's chief advisers on atomic affairs.

A few hours before his speech Truman told reporters that he refused to hold up development of the hydrogen bomb — which the Americans are calling the "hell bomb" — in favour of a plan for international control.

McMahon said the U.S. is spending 15,000 million dollars a year on armaments. He proposed that 10,000 million dollars of this should be set aside each year for five years and offered to the world on these two conditions:—

- 1 That all countries accept an effective programme for international control of atomic energy;
- 2 That all countries agree to devote two-thirds of their present arms budgets to constructive ends. This agreement would be enforced by inspection.

The world fund advanced by the U.S. would be administered by the United Nations.

Look at the sun

Speaking with great emotion, McMahon told the Senate: "I plead with every Congressman to go to his bedroom window every morning. Look at the sun. Realise that what goes on inside the sun, millions of miles away, threatens to be re-enacted on this earth—in Washington, in New York, Los Angeles and Chicago. It is most horrible and terrifying."

McMahon is one of the few men in the confidence of the top American scientists working on the hydrogen bomb.

He is a lawyer and father of a nine-year-old daughter.

"Consider what sustained fear of the hydrogen bomb does to the individual. It constricts his imagination, paralyses his initiative, even affects his personal morality. It is the most subtle of poisons."

"Consider the crushing burdens imposed on our private enterprise economy. Consider the restrictions on freedom brought about by the atom bomb. Consider the checks, counter-espionage, and widening areas of secrecy."

I warn you

"Look into the future and multiply that a thousand times. If you cannot find realistic ways to deal with this problem, you will find it is difficult indeed to see a dominant role for freedom against this background. To say we will find ourselves more and more compelled to imitate our totalitarian rival."

"If we win the race to build this weapon, what good will it do us? It just means that we gain time—possibly only a short time—before the Kremlin achieves success."

McMahon raised his hand and waved it round the senators.

"Let me warn you with every sign of solemnity that I can command," he said, "at this moment in history. Building the atom bomb is a race to the death."

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SMOKE bombs and fireworks were thrown and fights broke out in the New Gallery Cinema, Regent-street, last night as the anti-British film "Sword in the Desert" was ending.

A packed audience of 1,500 people was watching the last five minutes of the last reel when there were shouts in the stalls.

A firework went off. The lights went up. Then two smoke bombs were thrown from the stalls. Police rushed in and helped the

4.30 a.m. LATEST

BOY FUGITIVES JUMP 30 FT.

Two boys who escaped from approved school two days ago jumped 30 ft. from window of a house in Glasgow when discovered during night. Both were taken to hospital. One was detained.

'INGRID'S CLINIC' CALLS POLICE

ROME, Friday morning.—Clinic where Ingrid Bergman and baby called police headquarters for protection after today when crowd collected. Four carloads of police drove up. Two policemen stayed there.

20 DAYS TO THE POLL

CENTRAL 8000

Cinema attendants split up and throw out the lighting gobs.

Fumes from the smoke bombs spread through the cinema. As the demonstrators were marched out shouting, the audience put handskerchiefs to their mouths to keep out the smoke.

Then the film restarted, and the noise of another smoke bomb bursting came from the circle stalls.

It was the first day of the film, and the New Gallery management received a letter warning of trouble if it was put on.

An hour after the audience left, smoke was still pouring into Regent-street from the foyer of the cinema.

A man was taken to Savile-row Police Station and questioned.

The film, made in Hollywood and released by a J. Arthur Rank company, General Film Distributors, is based on the Jewish-Arab fighting in Palestine.

British troops are shown treating Jews harshly and being killed in battles.

£23,000 a bandit

SINGAPORE, Thursday.—Forty-eight Communist guerrillas were killed in Malaya last month. This includes 23 in one action. With the anti-rebel war costing about £25,000 a day, the price of killing the 48 is £25,000 each.—Express News Service.

Not greasy—but GROOMED

Most men need something on their hair, to look smart, and women want men to look both neat and natural. That's why men are using Nufix.

Nufix is the light hair cream for a man. With its pure vegetable oils and lanolin Nufix keeps your hair neat and tidy all day—and gives it that nice natural look. Try some and see!

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ROME, Friday morning.—Ingrid Bergman gave birth to a baby boy in a Rome clinic last night.

Both mother and son—fair-haired and blue-eyed—are doing well.

Miss Bergman and her husband, Dr. Peter Lindstrom, a Hollywood brain surgeon, have been negotiating for a divorce. They were married in 1937 and have an 11-year-old daughter, Pia—P for Peter, I for Ingrid.

The film star has announced that she will marry the Italian film director, Roberto Rossellini, when she is free. She is 35, he is 43. Tonight Rossellini told a friend that Ingrid's son will be named Roberto.

Ingrid Bergman has filed application for a divorce in Mexico alleging cruelty, non-support and incompatibility. Rossellini was granted an annulment of his marriage by a civil court in Milan last month.

MET IN ITALY

He has a son, aged ten. He has announced his intention of marrying Ingrid.

They started work together in Italy last spring on the film "Stromboli", which was recently completed. Last Friday Rossellini said: "Ingrid is not going to make any more films, even if I want her."

Dr. Lindstrom made a sudden flight to Italy last May "just to see and embrace Ingrid." He has not seen her since.

Ingrid and her baby have a private suite in the Villa Margherita, a fashionable nursing-home in a secluded part of the city. Rossellini booked the premiere of "Volcano", starring the Italian actress Anna Magnani, was held in Rome last night.

Anna Magnani, who was Rossellini's constant companion for three years, was to have made "Stromboli" with him. Then Ingrid came along—and got Anna's part.

Anna called in a Hollywood director to make "Volcano", which was rushed through as a counter-attraction to "Stromboli."

WHY TONIGHT?

Last night was to have been her triumph. The night of Rome's society was "here to acclaim the film. So was Premier Gasperi, with the Diplomatic Corps. But Anna called off her personal appearance at the last minute.

She was one of the first to hear of Ingrid's baby—from a source in Rossellini's house.

In her flat overlooking the Tiber, she waved aside doctors who were pressing sleeping tablets on her. She cried: "Why, oh why, did it have to be tonight?"

Friends tried to persuade her to go to the cinema.

But she said: "I cannot compare with this," she replied. "I just cannot face people. I refuse to go through with it."

But early this morning she sent out a statement for publication. It was: "Please convey my best wishes and congratulations to the happy couple."

His story of the film and the night's drama is told on Page Four.

Share dealers arrested

Reginald Miles, a member of the Stock Exchange, and Richard Palmer, a stock dealer, will be charged at the Guildhall today with conspiracy regarding deals in stocks and shares.

They were arrested in the City yesterday by members of the Fraud Squad, and detained overnight at Bishopsgate Police Station.

Mr. Miles was until recently a partner in a stock jobber's firm.

Police probe 'Nazi racket'

STUTTGART, Thursday.—Police are investigating an allegation that Karl Stroehle, acting head of a Ministry prosecuting Nazis, tried to do a deal to help Dr. Schacht, Hitler's financier.

Schacht has faced five years' imprisonment in the denazification trials. And Stroehle, who is said to have ordered his officials to "commit irregularities" in such cases, has resigned.

The alleged scandal is said to involve dozens of wealthy business men, a former judge and chief prosecutor.—Reuter.

Student quizzed on giant art theft

KIEL, Thursday.—A 25-year-old German student today gave himself up to the police who want to question him about the theft of 2,000 works of art. They include pictures and drawings by Rembrandt, Dürer, and Holbein.

Briton gets apology

FRANKFURT, Thursday.—The American Army in Germany tonight apologised to a British business man, Reg Hill, and a Norwegian colleague for arresting them as suspected bank robbers. They were held for 34 hours.

QM loses day

CHESTER, Thursday.—An Atlantic storm has delayed the Queen Mary and 800 passengers will be a day late when they reach Cherbourg tomorrow.

Don John on bail

BAYONNE, Thursday.—Don John Silver Ramos, accused of murdering his 20-year-old wife, was released on £1,530 bail tonight.

Beaverbrook says 'Coming home'

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Thursday.—Lord Beaverbrook said in Kingston today: "My stay in Jamaica is nearly at an end. I shall be leaving for England shortly."—B.U.P.

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